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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE
REINSTATEMENT OF THE
LICENSE OF

WILLIAM H. RIPLEY, D.C.
LICENSE NO. 00919

TO ENGAGE IN
THE PRACTICE OF
CHIROPRACTIC IN THE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

ORDER

This matter was brought before the Board of Chiropractic Examiners ("Board") on an application for reinstatement of the Chiropractic license of Dr. William H. Ripley made by Kathleen M. Gialanella, Esq. The Board heard the application at its April 30, 1998 meeting. Dr. Ripley appeared and was represented by Ms. Gialanella, Esquire, at the hearing.

A Consent Order was filed with the Board on August 27, 1991 wherein Dr. Ripley agreed to cease and desist from performing Applied Kinesiology or Basic Logan techniques unless and until an adult third party was physically present in the room while the treatment was applied. A civil penalty in the amount of \$1,500 and costs in the amount of \$337.50 were also assessed.

On April 27, 1992 Dr. Ripley entered into second consent order whereby he surrendered his license to practice chiropractic in the State of New Jersey with prejudice and further agreed to cease and desist from the practice of chiropractic as a result of violating the August 27, 1991 Order.

At the April 30, 1998 meeting of the Board, Dr. Ripley testified that he complied with the terms of the April 27, 1992 order and has totally disassociated himself from the practice of chiropractic for the past six (6) years. Upon questioning from the Board, Dr. Ripley informed them that he is 68 years old. He submitted a curriculum vitae with a work history representing that he was employed part time with Dollar Rent-A-Car as an auto delivery driver in 1992 and was employed as a house painter in 1993. From 1994 through 1996 he served as a salesperson for Re-Liv Nutrition products.

He further testified that he continued to maintain his knowledge of the chiropractic by reading chiropractic journals, although he has not attended any courses based on his understandings of the terms of the Board's April 27, 1992 consent order. He was also involved in community services with Habitat for Humanity in 1996 and Mobile Missionaries Assistance Program from 1996 to the present. Dr. Ripley also submitted a reference letter from Rev. Kenneth A. Austenberg for the Board's consideration. Finally, Dr. Ripley expressed his willingness to attend chiropractic courses to refresh his chiropractic skills in the event that the Board granted his request for relicensure.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board has considered the testimony and documentation submitted by Dr. Ripley in his application for reinstatement of his chiropractic license and, after diligent deliberations, the Board finds that he qualified for reinstatement of his license to

practice Chiropractic pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:9-41.5 under certain conditions as listed herein. The Board seeks the imposition of these restriction to ensure that Dr. Ripley competently discharges the functions of a licensee in a manner consistent with the public's health, safety and welfare.

IT IS, THEREFORE, on this 18th day of June 1998

ORDERED that:

1. Dr. Ripley must complete 200 hours of chiropractic courses in a Board approved Chiropractic school or college. The courses are to be approved by the Board prior to his attendance. These course must be completed within two years of the receipt of this order. Upon submission to the Board of proof of the successful completion of 50 hours in chiropractic courses and submission of an application for reinstatement of license, Dr. Ripley shall have his license to practice chiropractic returned and may begin to practice.

2. A licensed New Jersey chiropractor shall be appointed to serve as a monitor. This monitor shall not be related to Dr. Ripley and must be approved by the Board. The monitor is to submit a written report to the Board on a quarterly basis regarding Dr. Ripley's performance while practicing chiropractic. The monitor shall stay in place for two years or until Dr. Ripley has successfully completed the chiropractic courses, which ever comes first.

3. During the course of his practice, in any case where Dr. Ripley shall administer Applied Kinesiology or Basic Logan techniques, he must have an adult third party physically present in

the room during the adjustment. The name of the third party shall be noted in the patient's record.

4. Failure to comply with of any of the terms of this order shall constitute professional misconduct pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.4 and will subject Dr. Ripley to further disciplinary action, which may result in the revocation of Dr. Ripley's license.

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